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Sir:

This is in response to the non-final office action mailed November 19, 2004. This response is being filed within the first month after the end of the three-month shortened statutory period set in the office action. A separate petition and fee for a one-month extension of time, which extends the due date to Monday, March 21, 2005 is filed herewith. No other fee is believed to be due in connection with this response. Please charge any fee that is due, and credit any overpayment, to deposit account no. 50-0573.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS begin on page 2 of this paper.

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